

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A pontoon includes a generally elongated shell made of at least two shell
5 segments assembled in an end-to-end configuration. Each segment has a
segment peripheral wall surrounding a segment inner volume. Each segment
defines at least one end aperture extending into the segment inner volume from
one of the segment longitudinal ends. A filling component is positioned within the
segment inner volumes. The filling component is made out of a generally
10 buoyant material. Manufacturing the pontoon involves slidably inserting the filling
component into the end apertures in a direction generally along the shell
longitudinal axis and towards the opposed segment longitudinal end. The volume
of the filling component slidably inserted into the shell is such that the
combination of the shell and the filling component forms a generally buoyant
15 combination. A mold for the fabrication of the shell segments is also disclosed.